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In re Application of:

Basford, William C.

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AERODYNAMIC COMBINATION FOR IMPROVED BASE DRAG REDUCTION

(Amended)

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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.D. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 27, 2003 please note that this amendment is being timely filed within two months of the date that Examiner Kiran B. Patel made his rejection final. This amendment is believed to place this aerodynamic drag reduction invention in condition for allowance and thus must be entered.

PLEASE AMEND THE SPECIFICATION AS FOLLOWS:

Change the Title to read as follows:

-- AERODYNAMIC COMBINATION FOR IMPROVED BASE DRAG REDUCTION --